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TRIBUTE TO JOHN CARDINAL  
O'CONNOR—PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 16, 2000

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, on February 15, my colleagues honored John Cardinal O'Connor by passing H.R. 3557, a bill to award him

the Congressional Gold Medal. Unfortunately, because I had requested and been granted official leave of absence, I was unable to cast my vote in support of this measure. Please let the record show that had I been here I would have voted "yes" for H.R. 3557.

As a fellow New Yorker, I have seen firsthand the good work of the Cardinal, in particular, his tireless efforts to improve Catholic-Jewish relations. The negotiations to establish diplomatic relations between the Vatican and Israel were initiated, in large part, by Cardinal O'Connor. The Cardinal's work has truly enhanced human rights and religious tolerance around the globe.

Cardinal O'Connor has also been a leader in the effort to provide care to individuals stricken with AIDS. The Cardinal opened New York State's first AIDS-only unit at St. Clare's Hospital. This effort created a home for those in need of support and care, and supplied Cardinal O'Connor with yet another place to volunteer his time and counsel.

In addition to these remarkable accomplishments, Cardinal O'Connor has devoted his time to promoting racial equality, creating valuable educational opportunities for children, and assisting the poor, sick and disabled. It is clear that Cardinal O'Connor has touched the lives of many Americans and deserves this body's highest honor.

#### PRAISING GARROD HYDRAULICS

#### HON. WILLIAM F. GOODLING

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 16, 2000

Mr. GOODLING. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my congratulations to the employees of Garrod Hydraulics, Inc. for receiving the ISO 9002 (International Organization of Standardization) registration. I am proud to honor the only company registered in the United States for Hydraulic Cylinder Repair, especially when it has been serving York County for over 20 years. With over 35 employees, the company is certainly expanding and has distinguished itself within the industry and the other 22,399 companies with ISO 9002 registration. Garrod Hydraulics has joined the fraternity of Best in the Class, and I salute their hard work and dedication.

HONORING MAGGIE ADELE  
MCCULLOCH ON HER 1ST BIRTHDAY

#### HON. JOHN W. OLVER

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 16, 2000

Mr. OLVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Mark and Molly McCulloch of Holyoke as they celebrate the birthday of their daughter Maggie Adele McCulloch who turns 1 year old today, March 16, 2000.

Mr. Speaker, I commend the McCulloch family for their commitment to Massachusetts and their community.

Over the past decade, my constituent Mr. Mark McCulloch has played a prominent role in the community as Editor of the Holyoke Sun, Westfield Evening News, and now as